Minutes of the <u>Regular Work Session</u> of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee Monday, October 20, 2014, 3:00 PM Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Dennis Phillips
Vice-Mayor Mike McIntire
Alderman John Clark
Alderman Colette George

Alderman Andy Hall Alderman Tom C. Parham Alderman Tom Segelhorst (arrived at 3:10 p.m.)

City Administration
Jeff Fleming, City Manager
J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney
James H. Demming, City Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER: 3:00 p.m. by Mayor Phillips.

2. ROLL CALL: By Deputy City Recorder Marshall.

- 3. DISPOSING OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED THROUGH DELINQUENT TAX. Attorney Joe May presented this item and explained the process that has taken place regarding the property at 1132 Sourmash Drive. He pointed out this is the first piece of distressed property the city has taken possession of in over 30 years. Mr. May further stated it has since been resolved and a notice was in the paper today to advertise a tax sale for the property. There was considerable discussion.
- **4. WORK SESSION TICKLER.** Alderman Segelhorst mentioned he drove by the ball fields last week and they look good. He also stated he has spoken with the city manager regarding the reported injuries and he has a plan to address the issue. Mayor Phillips noted Fire Station 6 is almost finished. City Manager Fleming pointed out the bond sale was this morning and the rates were good, although he did mention the need to build the rainy day fund. City Recorder Demming provided further details. Some discussion followed.
- 5. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE OCTOBER 21, 2014 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA. City Manager Fleming, members of staff and community members gave a summary or presentation for each item on the proposed agenda. Those items the Board discussed at greater length or which received specific questions or concerns included:
- VI.B.2 Consideration of a Resolution Amending the CDM Smith Design Contract to Including Bidding Services, Resident Project Representation and Engineering during Construction; and Consideration of Budget Ordinance to Appropriate SRF Loan Funding (AF: 277-2014). Water/Wastewater Manager Niki Ensor stated the funding is now in place to move forward with the project. She further noted this will amend the contract so that bids may be accepted.

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- VI.D.1 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing an Open Enrollment Period and Certain Plan Design Changes for the City of Kingsport Self-Funded Health Insurance Program and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign Documentation Necessary to Effect These Changes (AF: 272-2014). Risk Manager Terri Evans gave details on the open enrollment process, noting this would bring Kingsport more on line with other employers in the area. She answered questions from the board and some discussion followed.
- VI.D.3 Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Revocable License to Permit Keener Mallicote to Use a Small Part of the Area of the Parking Garage Designed for Dumpster Use to Install Some HVAC Units and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Needed Documents (AF: 275-2014). City Manager Fleming explained this item, pointing out it would help develop the property without hindering the city's use.
- VI.D.4 Consideration of a Resolution Renewing the Property Insurance Coverage with Travelers Insurance Company and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign All Needed Documents (AF: 276-2014). Risk Manager Terri Evans commented on the favorable rate the city is receiving.
- VI.D.5 Consideration of a Resolution Increasing the Annual Limit of Medical Flexible Spending Accounts for Eligible Employees and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign All Needed Documents (AF: 274-2014). City Manager Fleming stated this allows the city to max out eligibility and it is also good for the employee.
- VII.1 Consideration of Approval of Offers for Easements and Right-of-Ways for Colonial Heights Springs Sanitary Sewer Extension Project Phase II (AF: 271-2014). Mayor Phillips commented on the appraisal costs associated with these transactions.

**BOARD COMMENT.** The board discussed police grant moneys.

PUBLIC COMMENT. None.

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**8. ADJOURN.** Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Vice-Mayor McIntire adjourned the meeting at 4:12 p.m.

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Mayor